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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Top-Level Talks

RUSSIA'S unsatisfactory reply to the Western Powers' invitation to hold four power foreign ministers' talks can be expected to harden the State Department's dislike of and opposition to the proposal that President Eisenhower, Sir Winston Churchill, Mr Malenkov and M. Lanoe should meet for informal discussions on East-West disagreements. The Washington advisers doubtless will point to the Soviet note as but another indication that the Russians lack good intentions and have no real desire to help solve the many complex international problems of the present moment. It is a point of view, however, which is by no means accepted elsewhere. India has now thrown in her support for Sir Winston Churchill's idea which he advanced several months ago and it certainly retains substantial backing within the British Commonwealth. Even in the face of what has been described as "Soviet reticence" it is a proposition which should not be irrevocably rejected.

OPPosition to the Churchill proposal principally expresses itself in doubts as to whether anything positive would result from a top-level conference. Obviously there could be no guarantee, but does this justify abandonment of the project? Sir Winston Churchill has made it clear that he does not expect the world's problems to be solved and all differences of opinion between the Western Allies and Russia to vanish as a result of such a meeting. But he does believe, and many share his confident expectation, that a much better understanding of differing viewpoints could be obtained from informal talks between the world's four principal leaders and that some fundamental agreement on the approach to international problems could be reached. Sir Winston envisages man-to-man talks and through them the removal of suspicions and complexes which to date have hindered progress towards a settlement of international controversies. A widespread belief exists that there is much more to be gained than lost in holding top-level Big Four discussions.

LAUNCH SHELLING: BRITISH PROTEST REJECTED

Peking Govt Claims RN Craft Made First Attack

Death Of Dr Ernst Reuter

Berlin, Sept. 29. Professor Ernst Reuter, the Lord Mayor of West Berlin who led the city through the Soviet "blockade" of 1948-49, died here suddenly tonight. He was 64.

Herr Reuter returned last week-end from a conference of West German Mayors in Hamburg, where he was elected President of the Mayoral Association.

Today it was learnt that he was suffering from bronchitis, which he was believed to have contracted as a result of his trip to and from Hamburg.

Doctors advised him to spend a few days in bed. His sudden death at 1000 hours was believed to have been caused by heart failure.

Immediately the news became known, German radio stations switched from light programmes to solemn music, interrupted only by a special news bulletin with the announcement of Mayor Reuter's death.

STAUNCH SUPPORTER

To the Western Allies Herr Reuter was known as a staunch supporter of a united and free Europe. To the Communists he was a "warmonger, murderer and Fascist" and a "branch manager of Wall Street."

He was wounded in 1917 and taken-prisoner by the Russians. He became an active member of the Bolshevik Party and was chosen by Lenin as the first Peoples Commissar of the Volga Germans.

Stalin was his immediate superior, as Commissar for Nationalities.

Six months later, Herr Reuter left the Communist Party and joined the German Socialists. By 1933, when Hitler came to power, he was Mayor of Magdeburg.

In 1935, after having been twice put into a concentration camp, he fled to Britain through Holland.

Then for 10 years he worked in the Turkish Civil Service Academy at Ankara.

After the war he returned to Germany and became a personality respected throughout the West, for his defiant speeches as Mayor of Berlin in the face of the Russian blockade of Berlin in 1948.—Reuter.

Cairo Trial Drama: Resignation Of Lawyer

Cairo, Sept. 29. The attorney appointed to defend the former Premier, Abdel Hadi, charged last week by the Nguilu government with crimes against the State, resigned today.

The attorney, Mustafa Mares, said he had to withdraw from the case because he was unable to do his duty.

Mares resigned this morning shortly after trial opened before the all-powerful three-man Revolutionary Tribunal. After 15 minutes of brisk exchanges with the Tribunal President, Colonel Boghdadi, and the prosecuting counsel, Lt.-Col. Mohammed Tobeiy, Mares asked to withdraw.

"I am completely helpless," he said.

He complained to the Court this morning that he had been hampered in his work because he was unable to examine all relevant documents. He also charged that Abdel Hadi has not been interrogated before he was tried.

Colonel Boghdadi, hanging his fan on the table, replied to this:

"This is a revolutionary tribunal. It is generous on our part to allow defendants to appear here and engage lawyers to defend them."

"Would you like us to follow your example of other revolutionary tribunals in other countries?"

United Press.

Sensational Teheran Report

(From Our Correspondent)

London, Sept. 29. A report from Teheran says that following a full report of the true position of the Persian oil industry put before the Premier, General Zahedi, yesterday and broadcast to the Persian people today, the National Oil Company, which runs the industry, has drafted a letter to Anglo-Iranian asking it to send an advisory commission of British experts.

"Nothing will be hidden from them if they come because the Persians realize that only Anglo-Iranian and the company they kicked out two years ago can help them save their oil now."

So, if General Zahedi approves, the letter will be sent to London this week.

The draft letter also asks Anglo-Iranian to reconsider the compensation claimed for Mossadegh's seizure of Abadan.

Terrorists Kill Italian Nun

Nairobi, Sept. 29.

An Italian nun was killed and an Italian priest seriously wounded during an attack by 100 terrorists on the Imeni Colbodo mission in the Meru district on the eastern slopes of Kenya late last night. It was announced here today. The names of the victims have not been announced. (Cont'd. on Back Page, Col. 3) —Reuters.

The Chinese rejection was contained in a letter sent yesterday by Mr Chang Han-fu, Vice Foreign Minister, to the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking, Mr H. Treveleny, in reply to the British protest of September 12.

Six members of the British naval crew and a British observer aboard were killed when the British launch was hit by fire from a Communist patrolboat.

The Chinese note, in declaring that the British protest was "unacceptable," lodged in April China's "strong protest" with the British Government against the British launch's "provocative and surprise attack," and against the alleged sinking by the British Mosquito fighter-bomber.

The Chinese note said the Communist patrolboat was sailing in waters within the mouth of the Pearl River southwest of Inner Lin-Tin Island when it sighted an armed gunboat, displaying no national flag, sailing towards it.

The note said that the gunboat—which subsequently turned out to be British—made no reply to the patrolboat's inquiries, made through international signals.

FIRE INTO AIR

It continued: "In view of the fact that pirate vessels have long harassed waters in that locality, the patrol vessel of the Navy of the Chinese People's Republic fired three shots into the air, warning the said gunboat to come to a halt.

"The gunboat not only disregarded warnings but on the contrary rushed provocatively at the patrol vessel; the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China again fired two shots into the air to give a warning.

"At that moment the said questionable gunboat launched a surprise attack upon the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China, firing more than ten shots at it."

The note said that the Communist boat then "fired back in self defence."

The Chinese letter then charged that two Mosquito bombers, "definitely identifiable as belonging to the British Government," first dive and strafe at the Chinese patrol vessel "within the mouth of the Pearl River" and then intruded above Lin-Tin Island a few minutes after the launch incident occurred.

The planes, the note said, flew away after the island's air defence units had fired "resisting shots."

TEXT OF REPLY

The full text of the Chinese reply reads:

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 213 dated 12th September, 1953. I am instructed to make the following reply and request your Excellency to convey it to the British Government."

"According to confirmed reports received by the Central

People's Government of the People's Republic of China at 1404 hours (local time) on September 9, a patrol vessel of the Navy of the People's Republic of China, while sailing within the mouth of the Pearl River, southwest of Inner Lin-Tin Island and between Lin-Tin Island and Young Chow, discovered an armed gunboat dis-

playing no national flag whatever sailing towards it.

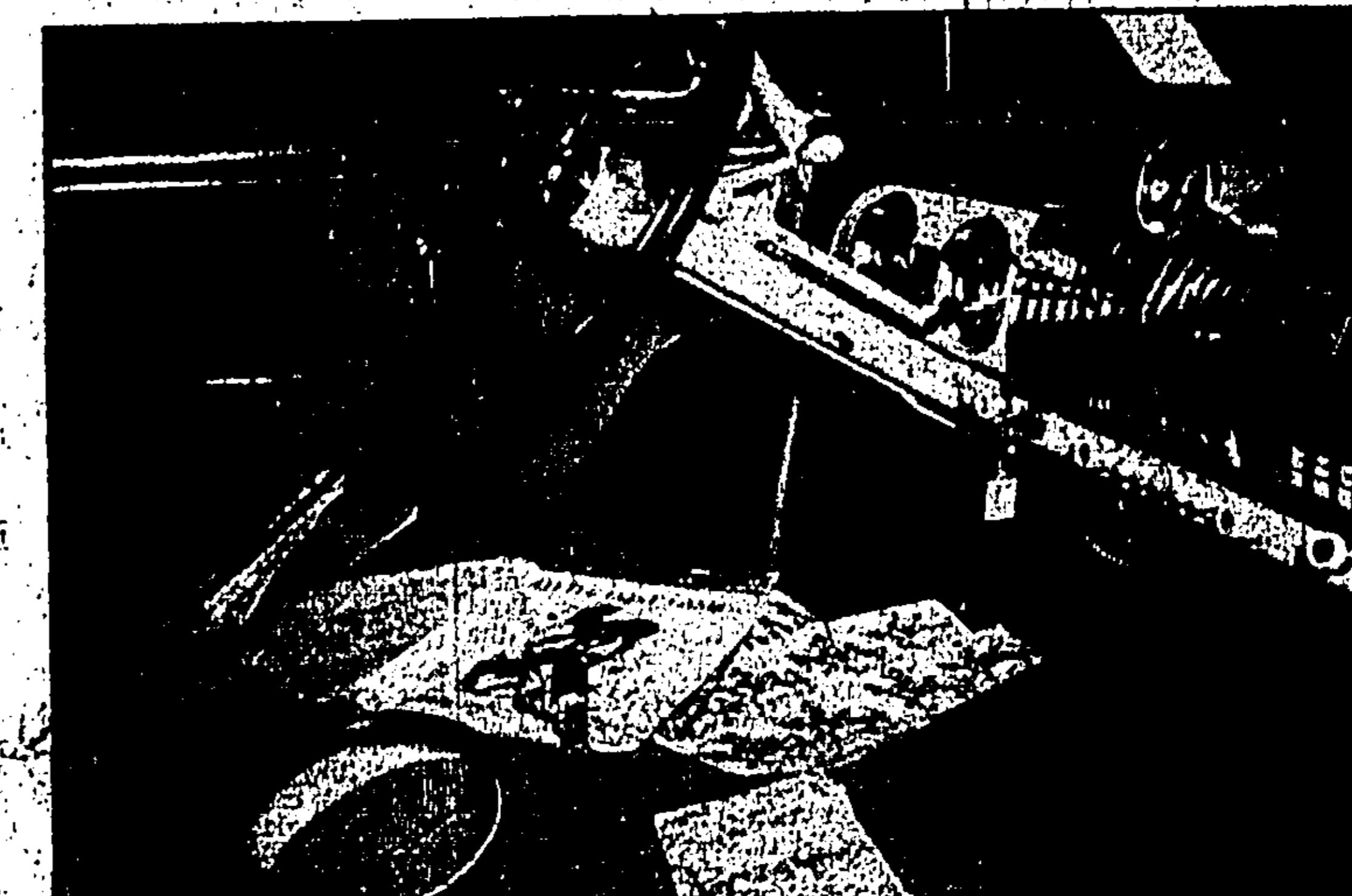
"Our patrol vessel then made

enquiries through international signals. The gunboat whose actions were questionable and whose purpose unclear, made no reply and increased its speed of approach. In view of the fact that pirate vessels have long harassed waters in the Pacific until the Korean political discussions are over."

—Reuters.

London, Sept. 30. Communist China has rejected a British protest against the shelling attack on the motor launch P 1323 about 25 miles northwest of Hong Kong on September 9, the New China News Agency said today.

The Communists also charged that the British "gunboat" first made a "surprise attack," the Agency said.



McCARTHY WEDS

Washington, Sept. 29. Senator Joseph McCarthy, America's number one anti-Communist investigator, is married. Red-headed Miss Jean Fraser Kerr, his former assistant, at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Cathedral here today.

Thousands crowded the cathedral during the ceremony and reinforced squads of Washington police were on duty.

Senator McCarthy is 43, his bride 29. Their courtship lasted four years.

Miss Kerr greeted photographers with a broad smile as she arrived at the church.

President Eisenhower had been invited to the wedding but sent his regrets in a note which said he would not be able to attend "because of other engagements."

The White House was represented by Mr Richard Nixon, the Vice-President, and other members of the Presidential staff.

LARRY CROSBY IN TROUBLE

Los Angeles, Sept. 29. Larry Crosby, brother of crooner Bing Crosby, has paid a \$500 fine following his plea of guilty to misbehaviour and driving while drunk charges.

The crooner's brother remarked yesterday: "Whew, I didn't think it would be that much."

He was arrested last week after his car hit a parked vehicle on fashionable Wilshire Boulevard.—United Press.

Top picture shows Mrs Melinda MacLean, with her three children, who recently mysteriously disappeared from Geneva in a black Chevrolet car. Above is seen the car after it had been found abandoned. In it, as the photo shows, were the children's book "Little Lost Lamb," a child's pistol, Coronation pageant pictures, maps, and an ignition key, still in place and carrying a tab bearing the car's number. —London Express photos.

Police Await Move By Woman Kidnapper

Kansas City, Miss., Sept. 29. The police stood grimly in the background today awaiting the first move by the woman kidnapper of a brown-eyed, six-year-old boy to contact the victim's millionaire father.

The kidnapper is a stockily-built, red-haired woman. She whisked Bobby Greenlease, Jr., from an exclusive Catholic school yesterday morning, leaving his father, Robert Greenlease, 66, fighting back tears in his helpless ness and his mother, 46, in bed under a doctor's care. Her condition was reported to be not serious.

Greenlease, who has made millions as a car dealer in the Middle West, had received no contact from the kidnapper by early today. The parents said they were "ready to do anything" to co-operate with the kidnapper to get their child back unharmed.

The chief postponed making public the kidnapping for several hours at the request of Bobby's shocked parents.—United Press.

Alleged Spy To Die

Berlin, Sept. 29. An East German court today sentenced to death Werner Hoffmann, alleged to have been an American spy, the East German news agency, ADN, reported.

The Court at Karl Marx Stadt—formerly Chemnitz—in Saxony also sentenced three men to life imprisonment as his accomplices, and a woman, Irene Hoffmann, to 15 years imprisonment.

Werner Hoffmann was described by the news agency as a former active member of the Nazi Party.

He and his accomplices had "smuggled themselves by stealth into the civil service of the East German Republic, where, since 1951, they had done systematic espionage and sabotage work by order of the American Intelligence," the agency said.

ADN added they were rewarded by the American intelligence service with regular substantial payments.—Reuters.

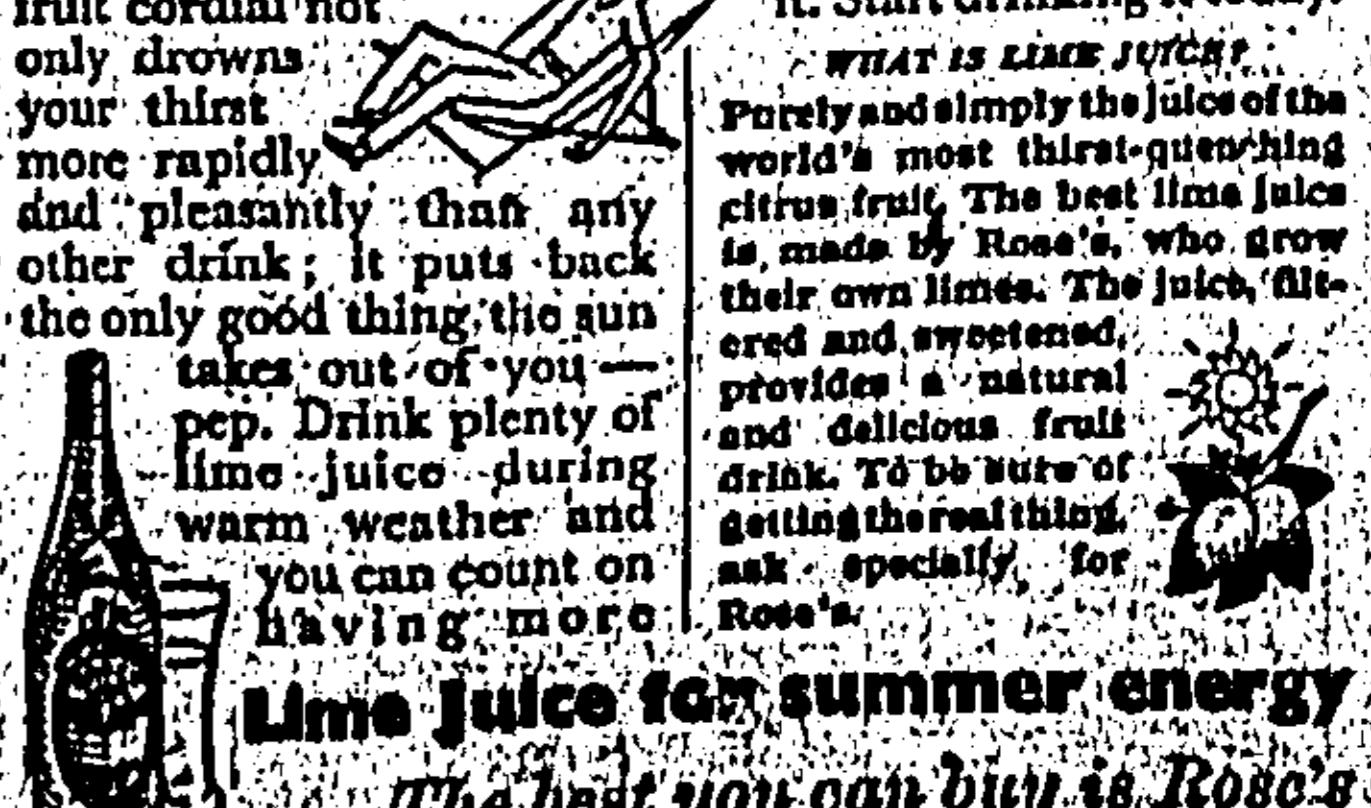
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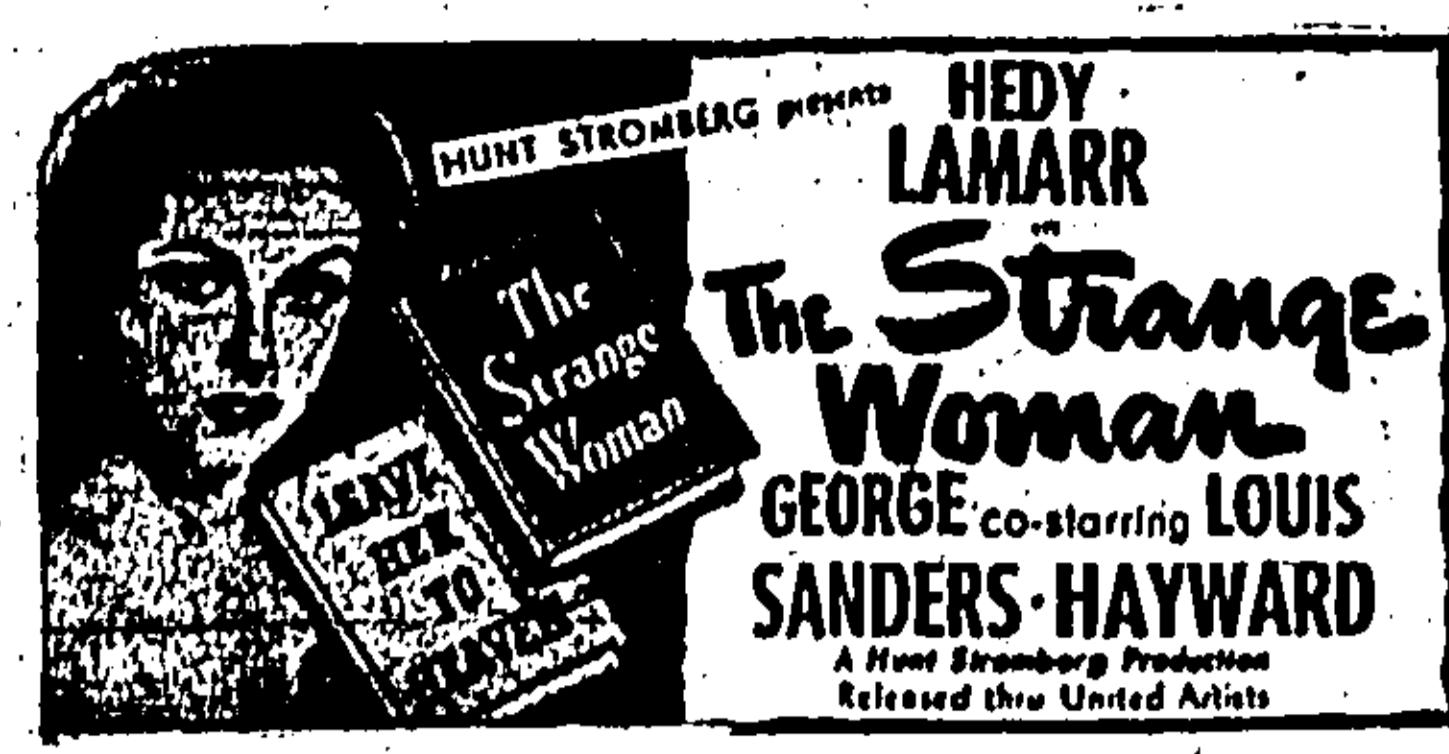
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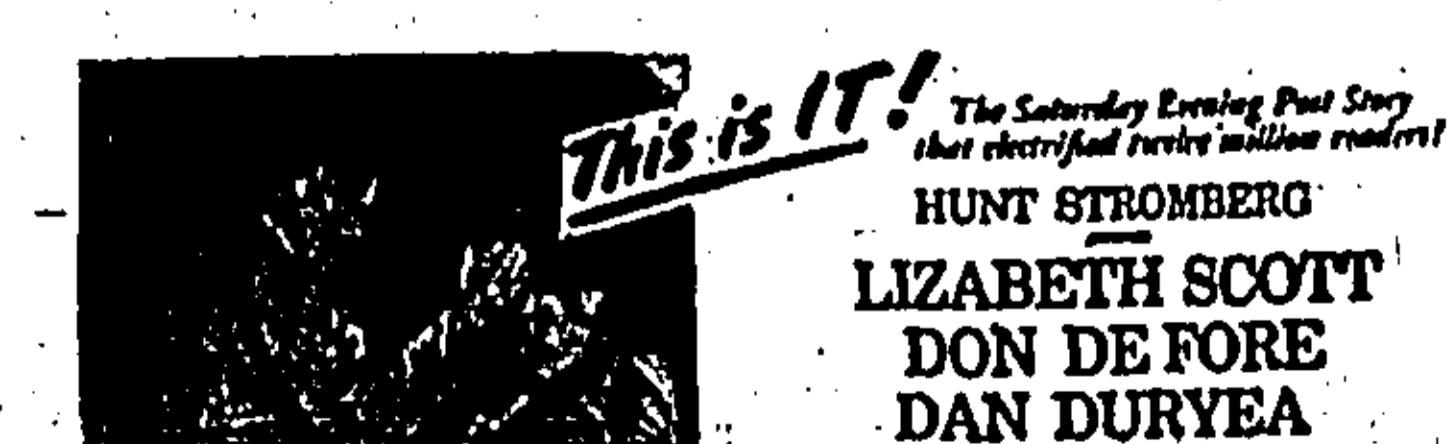
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Silk Industry's Prospects Said Fairly Cheerful

Milan, Sept. 29.—Delegates at the fourth International Silk Congress, which officially opened here today, started public discussion of the problems of present consumption and future prospects of silk.

Signor Roberto Tremelloni, of Italy, a former Trade and Industry Minister, stated that some sound reasons for moderate optimism have appeared lately for silk as the critical period may now be considered over while production, as well as consumption are slowly but continuously increasing since the last few years.

The speaker stressed that future prospects of the silk industry are linked to a reduction of production costs, as well as to an increase of average individual income and to further liberalisation of international trade.

In his detailed study, Signor Tremelloni reviewed the history of production, consumption and prices of silk, stating that silk production has been constantly increasing until 1920/1930 in order to satisfy world demand. Silk offered in 1870 amounted to 8,400 tons, while in 1913 production rose to 27,300 tons and to over 50,000 tons in 1928/30. During the ten years before the second world war production and consumption declined to lower but steady levels. The world war reduced considerably both offer and demand for silk on world markets. To these factors must be added the considerable reduction of silk consumption for stockings manufacture owing to the increased use of synthetic fibres.

In the immediate post-war period world silk production declined to 15,000/20,000 tons. Then, since 1947, production has risen slowly to over 25,000 tons in 1952 (of which four-fifths were produced in the Far East). This production still remains, however, at a level under one half of the targets reached in the late 20's and is roughly similar to the level reached at the turn of the century.

BALANCED VIEW

Consumption also declined considerably: industrial silk consumption in the world, estimated at 48,000 tons in 1938, sank to extremely low levels during the war and has since risen to 16,000 tons in 1948 and 17,500 in 1952.

Signor Tremelloni said that future prospects for world silk must be considered without excessive optimism or pessimism. A serious study of the situation, he said, discourages all extreme views about the situation and it can rather be stated that there exist now moderate reasons for optimism about the world silk situation. This opinion is shared also by market operators.

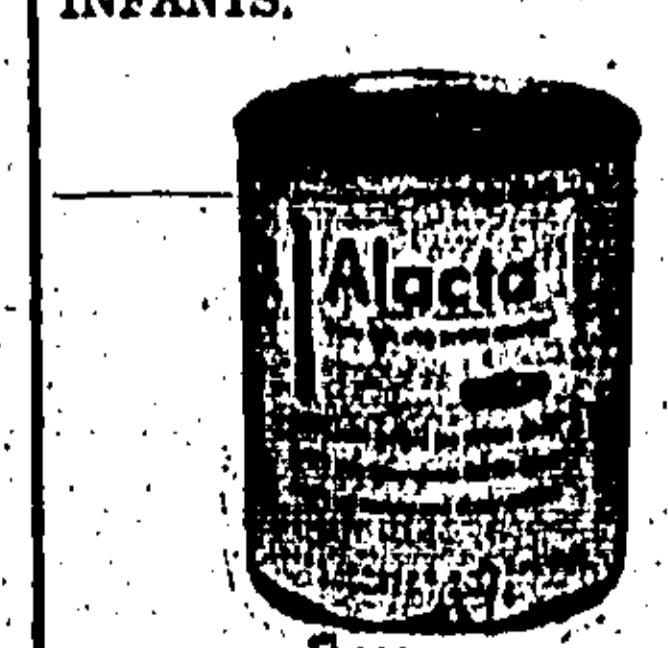
First of all, consumption of textile fibres in the world was steadily increasing and has trebled in the last half century. Consumption per capita in the world has doubled and economists expect consumption to double again in the next half century, reaching 25 to 28 million tons from today's 14-million level. This growth leaves, according to Signor Tremelloni, ample opportunities for silk consumption. All experts in fact agree that the "war" period among textile fibres is now over and that an increase in textile fibres consumption is now linked to common efforts by representatives of all branches concerned.

Nowadays, the silk market cannot be considered any more an "independent market" and increased attention must be paid to inter-dependence of offer and demand between all textile fibres.

Another cause is the steady improvement of some artificial fibres.

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New Incident In Adriatic

Trieste, Sept. 29.—A Yugoslav patrol boat seized an Italian trawler today in the latest of a series of incidents over fishing rights in the Adriatic. It was reported here.

The trawler, Magdiano, from Chioggia, near Venice, was escorted to Capodistria in Yugoslav-held Zone B of this divided territory, according to the report.—United Press.

Nuclear Research In China

London, Sept. 29.—The Communist New China News Agency reported tonight that the "necessary foundation for the study of nuclear physics" were being laid in China.

In a review of Chinese scientific developments during the present year, received in London, the Agency said preliminary investigations had been made into the nature of nuclear forces. A series of calculations in the theoretical field was in progress.

The Agency added that the greatest contribution of Chinese medical scientists had been their success in "checking germ warfare waged by the American aggressors."

"Many entomologists, bacteriologists, biologists and medical specialists went to Northeast China and Korea to combat the spread of man-made plague and diseases," the Agency declared.

Communist China's national expenditure for scientific research in 1953 "is four times greater than last year and about 50 times more than in any pre-liberation year," the Agency claimed.

"This specific attention given by the People's Government to scientific research accounts for its rapid expansion," the Agency said in a special article for China's national daily Oct. 1.

It said scientists and specialists were "volunteering" to take part in charting the country's natural wealth.—China Mail Special.

VASTLY LOWER

Strictly speaking, and for the moment only, she still has no external debt on private account, since she has not yet gazetted a single bond as validated, and does not recognise any of them until she does gazette them. However, taking that formally for granted, when she does shortly resume service on her external debt, her whole debt service will take a lower proportion of her budget than in probably any other country, and even the proportion for external debts, taken alone, will still be vastly lower than Britain's.

Moreover Germany's foreign exchange surpluses, as reported, are often struck after tucking money away. For example her EPU surplus in July was \$44 million, ostensibly lower than the \$53 million of June and the \$58 million of July 1952.

At that, it was the biggest surplus in the EPU clearing, whereas the June 1953 and July 1952 figures were struck after drawing \$6 million and \$11 million respectively from these outside accounts. So the real surplus in July was \$50½ million compared with \$47

West German Mark Believed Ripe For Convertibility

London, Sept. 29.—The currency that is ripe for convertibility is not sterling but the D-mark. Its convertibility might mean far less than sterling's, since it is not an international currency like sterling (not yet, at any rate).

But its international role is constantly expanding, especially in Europe but not only in Europe, and it is far the more ripe for convertibility:

Misunderstandings arise because the British authorities sometimes show their figures through rosy spectacles, while the German authorities invariably show theirs through blue ones. The facts about Germany need no spectacles.

The German banking system's foreign assets rose from DM2,650 million in October 1951 to DM4,984 million at end-1952 and to DM6,384 million in mid-1953—and have certainly gone on rising in the present half-year. Its foreign liabilities fell from DM1,168 million in October 1951 to DM449 million at end-1952 and to DM369 million in mid-1953.

So, even taken gross, the D-Mark's external liabilities are less than one per cent of sterling's external liabilities. Those of the German central banking system are less than a thousandth of the Bank of England's. Taken net, the D-Mark has no external liabilities but instead has external assets of size which, for its international role, in comparison with sterling, can stand comparison with sterling's colossal liabilities—and are on the right side instead of the wrong one.

Even this fails to tell the full story. The bank deposits and money-market assets of German public authorities now exceed the total of the indebtedness that they have incurred since the currency reform of 1948. That reform virtually wiped out all their previous indebtedness, so Germany alone in this world and probably in any other, is the one country that has no net internal national debt. She had no external debt either, until September 16, 1953, when, after a mere four years or so of negotiations, the agreement on her external debts came into force.

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U.S. Attempt On The Speed Mark

El Centro, Calif., Sept. 29. Lt. Commander James Verdin will pull the throttle of the Navy's delta-wing Skyray jet wide open today in an attempt to break the world speed record he set only yesterday.

Verdin streaked the Douglas F4D over the California desert at 742.7 miles per hour yesterday, the fastest time ever clocked under International Speed Rules and eclipsing a British mark set last Saturday over the North African desert.

Douglas officials said today's attempt would start when desert temperatures reached an anticipated peak of 90 degrees at about 2 p.m. (2200 GMT), because each degree of temperature is worth an additional mile an hour.

The temperature was 89 degrees during yesterday's flight.

The Navy test pilot set the new mark yesterday in four lightning passes over a three-kilometre course along Salton Lake. His best run was 740.3 miles per hour but a lap of 734.6 brought down the average. "We're going to try again today," Verdin said. "We want to have a clear record before the British make another attempt in the Supermarine Jet."

Verdin referred to Commander Mike Lithgow who is attempting to beat his own unofficial world mark of 737.3 which he set last week in speed run over the Libyan desert. The official record smashed by Verdin was 727.6 set earlier this year by Great Britain's Hawker Hunter D-Jet. Verdin's run yesterday was officially certified by Charles Logsdon, timer for the Federation Aeronautique Internationale—United Press.

Buddhist Plea Succeeds

Colombo, Sept. 29. The Ceylon Government proposed to introduce legislation to prohibit the use of religious and racial symbols as trade marks.

A Government spokesman said a bill would be introduced in the House of Representatives to amend the Trade Marks Ordinance to declare the use of such symbols a penal offence.

The spokesman said the proposed legislation is the outcome of representations made by a number of Buddhist associations to the Minister of Trade and Commerce against the use of pictures of Buddha as trade marks for various articles.—United Press.

Sets Big Puzzle For The Diplomats "Terribly Ambiguous"

London, Sept. 29. —Russia's counter-proposals for settling German and world problems appear to "discourage" hopes of early Big Four negotiations between Moscow and the West, Western observers in Moscow said tonight.

The note, delivered last night to the British, United States and French Embassies in Moscow, set a big puzzle for diplomats the world over.

The United States State Department said the note "appears to be evasive and a continuation of dilatory tactics".

In Paris it was described as "terribly ambiguous."

A Moscow cable said diplomatic circles stated the note gave qualified approval to the Western proposal for a Big Four conference on German problems. But it did not accept — nor did it reject — the Western invitation that the four Foreign Ministers tackle the matter at Lugano on October 15.

The Russians also revived their plan for a "Big Five" conference to discuss means of world tension. They insisted on including Communist China among the parties—a proposal which runs counter to declared American policy on the point.

The Russians said that the Big Four conference on Ger-

many only must "include all proposals introduced during the course of a preparatory conference."

Western observers in Moscow took this phrase to mean that Russia would wish to introduce proposals such as that for the formation of an all-German Government before elections are held in the whole of Ger-

Times Comments On Issue Of Jap Rearmament

London, Sept. 29. The Times today expressed the view that the United States will be disappointed by the agreement between Mr Shigeru Yoshida, the Japanese Prime Minister, and Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, leader of the Progressive Party, to expand the Japanese National Safety Corps.

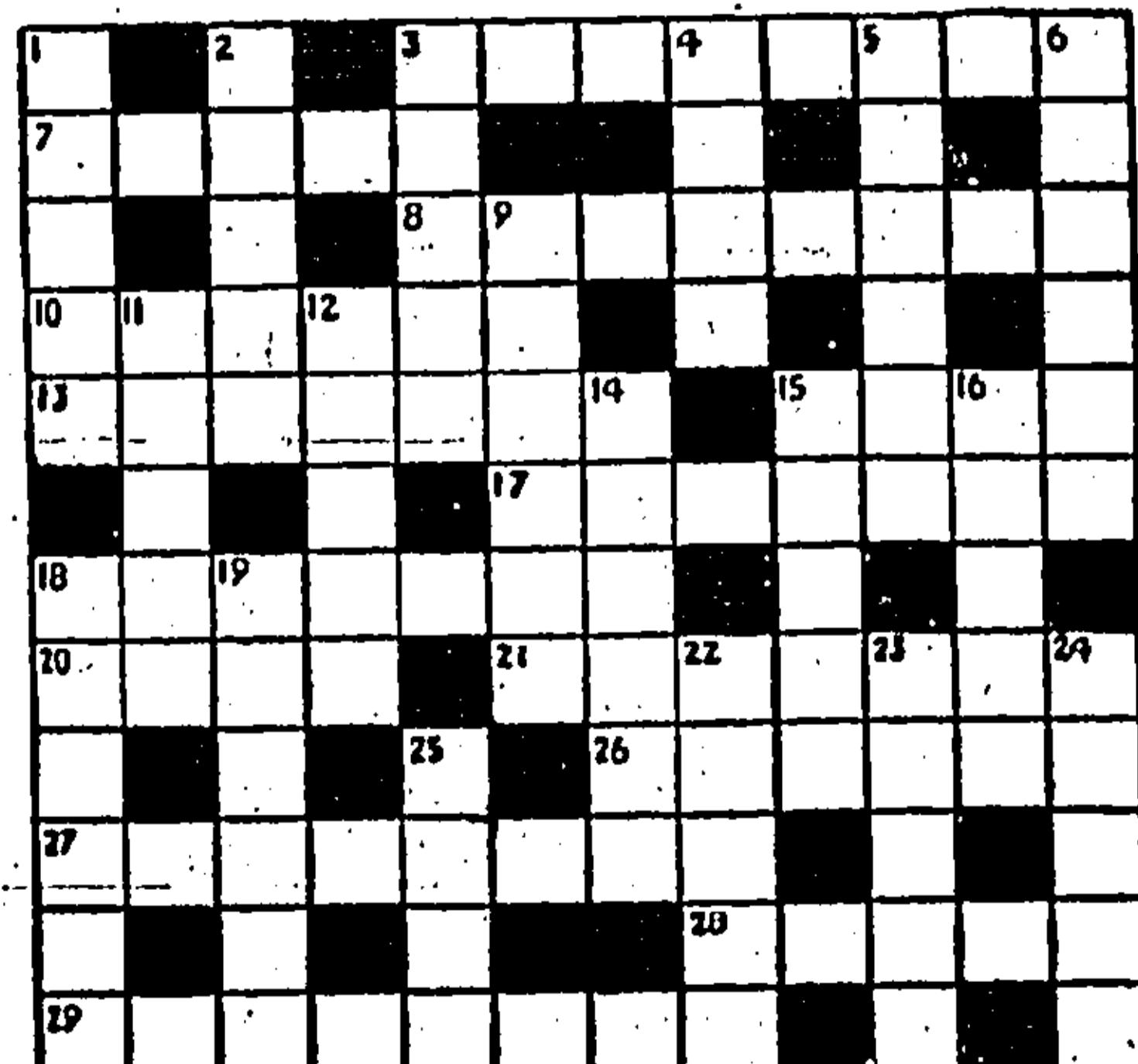
The Times, in an editorial on Japan's defence policy, emphasised that Mr Yoshida now has the bulk of Japanese opinion, inside as well as outside Parliament, ranged solidly behind him.

"Both wings of the Japanese Socialists are bitterly attacking the plan for the expansion of the National Safety Corps... this independent newspaper said.

"Socialist opinion sees in this agreement confirmation of the fears which have been expressed during the few weeks that there would be a Conservative line-up under American pressure in support of immediate rearmament, regardless of the prohibition imposed by the new Japanese constitution."

"Yet the details of the plan show that Socialist fears are exaggerated," the Times maintained.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Put money into. (8)
- 7 Applaud with shouts. (5)
- 8 Newcomers. (9)
- 10 Propriety. (6)
- 13 Analysis. (7)
- 15 Fish. (4)
- 17 Built. (7)
- 18 Liberate. (7)
- 20 Accustomed. (4)
- 21 Greets ceremoniously. (7)
- 22 Small tower. (6)
- 27 Gaolers. (6)
- 28 Pick-me-up. (6)
- 29 Shipwrecked person. (8)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: — **Aero:** 1 Snaked, 3 Distant, 8 Minim, 9 Drift, 10 Lurid, 11 Rural, 12 Moon, 13 Terse, 16 Deleto, 18 Abused, 20 Tales, 22 Canto, 23 Start, 25 Topic, 26 Noting, 27 Trifid, 28 Gloss, 29 Dogged Down; **1 Sediment, 2 Corporal, 3 Rite, 4 Dilutes, 5 Dilates, 6 Amulet, 7 Nails, 14 Removing, 16 Enlarged, 18 Dustens, 17 Learned, 19 Basses, 21 Atoll, 24 To do.**

DOWN

- 1 Suffered continuous pain. (5)
- 2 Encounters. (5)
- 3 Angry. (5)
- 4 Tale of heroism. (4)
- 5 Piece of crockery. (6)
- 6 Sprinkled. (6)
- 7 Nook. (6)
- 8 Teams. (5)
- 9 Requested. (6)
- 10 International agreement. (6)
- 11 Scrub. (5)
- 12 Assembly. (6)
- 13 Rural. (6)
- 19 Acquires knowledge. (6)
- 22 Vigorous. (6)
- 23 Tendancy. (6)
- 24 Store. (6)
- 25 Kind of gull. (4)

FILLING VACUUM
New York, Sept. 29. The New York Times said today in a leading article: "While efforts to fill the military vacuum in the heart of Europe are still stalled by France's inability to make up her mind, the similar military vacuum in Asia is on the way to being remedied."

The Times referred to the agreement reached by Premier Yoshida of Japan and his Conservative opposition on a partition programme of "straightforward rearmament to defend the country against Communist aggression." The Times said: "The Japanese rearmament programme represents a break with past illusions not only for us but also for the Japanese."

"Under the impact of the last war and the comfortable assurance of American protection, Japan adopted a constitution forbidding the maintenance of armed forces. Now, however, the Japanese, like the Germans, are beginning to realize their peril, and sentiment is beginning to swing the other way."

"How far the programme will go is still not clear, but its scope will obviously depend, first, on American aid, and, second, on Japan's own economic resources, which are now too great."

"Japan is trying hard to enhance these resources by expanding its trade. But after the loss of its empire, in an age of super-powers and in view of modern armament costs, Japan cannot become the aggressor again. It was in the past. In this fact lies the best guarantee that its rearmament will remain an instrument of peace, not war."

—Reuter.

Peer Urges New Approach To Economic Problem

London, Sept. 29. At the annual meeting of the Finance Corporation for Industry Lord Bruce urged a new approach to the economic position of Britain and the sterling area, which he described as extremely insecure.

The position was desperate, he said, and standards of living were seriously menaced.

There was irritating complacency as to industrial progress in Britain and the development of the Commonwealth and Empire overseas.

UN Adjourns

United Nations, Sept. 29.

The United Nations General Assembly adjourned today at 4:45 p.m. (GMT) having completed its general debate.

The Assembly will remain in adjournment indefinitely during Committee session.—United Press.

Sumatra Revolt Settled?

Foreign Minister On Situation

New York, Sept. 29. Dr Sunario, Indonesian Minister for Foreign Affairs, told reporters today that recent reports of a revolt in Atjeh were greatly exaggerated.

The Minister said the Indonesian Government has the backing of Parliament and should also include Communist China in all-round discussions on "relaxation of tension in the world."

A Soviet note sent to the United States, Britain and France yesterday and released here late tonight, agreed with the Western Powers that a Foreign Ministers' conference should be called to specify two firm agenda points:

1. To consider at a meeting which would include the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States, the Chinese People's Republic and the Soviet Union; measures for the relaxation of tension in international relations.

2. To discuss at a meeting which would include the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union, the German question, including all proposals put forward by Washington in the course of the preparation of the meeting.

The Soviet note, which covered eleven foolscap pages, reiterated the Soviet call for a temporary all-German government.

NECESSITY REALISED

He replied: "I cannot tell yet. After all, we are just in the midst of settling the Korean question."

The African and Asian countries recognised the necessity of getting an early settlement, not only as it concerns the belligerents but as an overall settlement for all parties, he added.

Accompanied by Dr Utjo Runcan, former Indonesian Ambassador to Australia, Dr Sunario is going to Switzerland for a meeting of Indonesian envoys on October 4. He will also talk with the Foreign Ministers of Pakistan, India and Burma.

He paid a courtesy call in Washington on President Eisenhower, Vice-President Nixon and the Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles.—United Press.

WILLING TO DISCUSS
New York, Sept. 29. This would either replace both existing governments in Western and Eastern Germany until all-German free elections were held, or else would take over temporarily certain functions for all Germany, in particular the preparation and holding of free all-German elections.

The Western refusal to agree to this suggestion, the Soviet note said, "precluded taking technical measures towards the solution of the question because no all-German organ was created which could fulfil the will of the German people in the preparation of all-German elections."

Russia said she had not yet received a reply to her last note to the West on the Austrian question. But she said she was willing to discuss this in normal diplomatic procedure.

The note neither accepted nor rejected the Western invitation to come and discuss Germany at a Foreign Ministers' meeting in London on October 15.

Before the full text of the document had been published, Western observers said it appeared to "discourage" expectations of immediate Big-Four negotiations.

—Reuter.

MANILA, Sept. 30. The Polish member of the Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission in Korea who acted for political asylum from United States Air Force authorities at Kangnung, South Korea, is expected to arrive today on his way to the United States.

The United States Embassy disclosed that the Pole, Jan Halidowicz, had been granted permission to enter the United States under the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

—China Mail Special.

New York, Sept. 29. Merck Inc., a United States chemical company, today reported that an agreement had been signed with Banyo Chemical Company Limited, of Tokyo, for the distribution of the hormones cortone and hydrocortone in Japan.

Said to be the first step in making the powerful chemical more widely available in that country, the agreement was expected to result in a marked contribution toward the health and well-being of the Japanese people, the company said.

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Manila, Sept. 30. The Agency said Li Chin-chuan, a Chinese prisoner returned on Sunday, was doing "administrative work in the American prison camp on Cheju Island.

On August 28 he heard Chiang Kai-shek's top special agent, Fang Chih, say at a meeting in the American military police headquarters: "We have decided to send scores of men from Taiwan to go to the Indian custodian camps with you."

"Ten of them will pose as prisoners and the rest will pass themselves off as United Nations representatives or newsmen."

(Major Salem, Egyptian Affairs Officer of National Guidance, alleged in Cairo that Israeli forces had occupied parts of no man's land along the Egypt-Israeli truce line after launching an attack in the El-Auja region last night.)

The Israel denied this.

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Those doubting this story

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People who know good brilliantine do not mind paying a little more for the BEST!



"Off you go, son—you're only four days late. Don't forget to tell 'em it was old Fred—who fixed your chain—if you win!"

London Express Service

Bernard Wicksteed meets a PW Troop

A Little Rain Washes Away That Red Touch

London.
I DON'T know how many of the ex-P.W. boys were Communists when they walked down the gangways of the Asturias. But I am quite sure there won't be half as many by today.

Twenty-four hours of freedom, home, and England are an antidote against any number of lectures in a Chinese prison camp.

That reception they got on the docks at Southampton was something those boys won't forget, and nor will I.

There they were, nearly 600 of them, wedged against the deck rails as the ship edged in towards the quay. And there to meet them at 8.30 in the morning were Mums and Dads and Missus and sisters and kids from all over Britain.

And then, just when the ship was near enough to pick out individual faces, it came on to rain. It simply poured. The band that was playing "Poor Old Joe" hastily finished its tune and ran for shelter.

So did most of the relatives, and to the boys on board there was no denying that this was really England.

The rain slackened and out went the Mums and Dads again—with newspapers

on their heads because there wasn't any room for umbrellas. Some of them spoilt their sons at once. A very little man next to me was climbing the decks with water-filled eyes when he suddenly let out a yell: "Billy! It's me!" And when Billy called back: "How are you, Dad?" the tears rolled down the old man's face so hard that he couldn't say anything more.

"Have I become a Commie?" he said. "All that stuff went in one ear and came out the other. This is what matters..." and he pointed to the Mums and Dads all around.

Not a Red

PRIVATE LEN ELLERY, of the Gloucesters, said much the same. He's another chap I remember talking to in Korea on Christmas Day 1950.

He didn't think much of the Korean war even then, and he thinks still less of it now. "But that's not being a Commie," he said.

I spent an hour or more trying to find anyone who would admit that he was a Communist, but I didn't succeed. If any of them were they weren't talking.

TOM DRIBBERG, M.E., who was there, said he had found two, but when I tried to locate them they had gone.

Undoubtedly there are a lot of boys who thought they were Communists in the prison camps. But do they today? Will they tomorrow?

The special trains laid on by the War Office filled up and started away to the Midlands, the West, and the North.

Family talk

THERE were so many helpers in the uniforms of the W.V.S., the Red Cross, and the St. John Ambulance all happily fussing around that you'd almost think we'd gone to war again.

The soldiers streamed into the hall like two rivers of chukhi and were absorbed into the sea of their waiting kin.

One couple had brought in a case of beer for their son, and while mother went off to look for him father stood on guard.

Kisses for everyone...hugs for all...children unpacking presents brought in the East...and tears, tears, tears—but all of them tears of joy.

Standing alone surveying the scene was Lance-Corporal Buxton, of the Royal Ulster Rifles. I shared a dugout with him the day his transport left Liverpool nearly three years ago, and I met him again in Korea sitting in a foxhole in the snow.

"Remember me?" I said. "Why? It's that reporter again," he answered. "Now I know it isn't just a dream."

He had written to his wife in Scotland and told her not to tire

"Wait till you see our television set...Did you hear that Polly got married?...We've got new curtains in the front now....So the talk went on.

But the bit that I liked best was a boy of five announcing in a loud voice that he wanted to go somewhere and mother, turning to father home at last and saying, "It's your turn now, You take him."

And father did.

Exactly the same thing happened to me when I came back from war, and I knew then that I had really come down to earth.

—(London Express Service)

I SAY THAT EVANS WAS GUILTY

By LORD HAILSHAM

ON January 13, 1950, Timothy John Evans, a van driver by occupation, was convicted at the Old Bailey of strangling his baby daughter, Geraldine, and after an unsuccessful appeal he was hanged on March 9 following.

Another charge of murdering his wife Beryl, which depended on substantially the same facts, was not proceeded with.

The bodies of both mother and daughter had been found concealed behind timber in the wash-house of the premises in Notting Hill at which the Evans family had lived.

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THREE years later this same Christie found himself charged with the murder of his own wife by strangling her and disposing of her corpse on the same premises in a somewhat similar fashion.

The evidence showed that Mrs Christie was only one of a number of women whom he had strangled and disposed of in this way from time to time.

The defence was insanity, and during his evidence, Christie tried to make the court believe that he had murdered Mrs Evans as well—not as Evans himself had suggested in the course of an illegal operation, but as a means of settling her in committing suicide.

By this date Evans had sold his home, closed his flat and left for Merthyr Tydfil, where he turned up unexpectedly on the early morning of the 15th at the house of an aunt and uncle at which he proceeded to lodge.

CHRISTIE denied responsibility for the death of the child, but imagination seemed to boggle at the apparently fantastic coincidence involved of two stranglers of women living in the same premises and disposing of the corpses of their victims in the same way. A sensitive public conscience inevitably asked whether an innocent man could at last be shown to have been hanged for a murder he did not commit.

The Inquiry instituted by the Home Secretary was presided over by Mr Scott Henderson who reported, however, that Evans was guilty on both counts and therefore that the apparently unbroken had recently taken place.

It is important to emphasise that Evans was not convicted on the evidence of Christie alone but as the result of a chain of circumstances almost undisputed which had led him to make a whole series of confessions circumstantial, coherent, accurate

although Mrs Evans was in fact pregnant no attempt had been made to interfere with her pregnancy.

It had obviously become necessary for Evans to think out yet another explanation.

It was then that he broke down and confessed, at first in a summary form and later in a lengthy dictated document. In this he explained in great detail how after a long and all too familiar pattern of nagging and rows he had first strangled his wife with a rope taken from his van and two days later had done the same thing to his baby daughter with a necklace.

Although, as it now appears, he had not been informed by the police of the probable method of strangulation in either case, he was right both times, and the necklace had in fact been found still around the child's neck.

In addition, Evans's confession also contained what he had not been told by the police—an accurate description of the position of the bodies.

By contrast it is worth noting that Christie's later "confession" was wrong in almost every detail. He said he had strangled Mrs Evans with a stocking after she had written to him, after stroping her with coal gas.

In answer to questions he said that his wife had died in an attempt to terminate her pregnancy by taking the contents of a bottle which he claimed to have obtained from a stranger at a transport cafe between Ipswich and Colchester.

This story had also little relation to truth and, after communication with London, Evans was informed that it could not be believed.

ANOTHER TALE

HE next told another and even more peculiar tale.

According to this second version, after an unsuccessful attempt to get rid of the unwanted baby with tablets, Mrs Evans had herself got in touch with her co-tenant Christie, who pretended to be an abortionist and promised to procure a miscarriage upon her.

Evans went on to say that on the evening of Tuesday, November 8, Christie had shown him his wife's body dead and bleeding, apparently from the operation, and that he had then helped Christie to dispose of it.

Evans went on to say that the baby had been removed by Christie shortly after, ostensibly to be "cared" for by a childless couple in East Acton. This was in substance the story to which he tried to revert at his trial. It was wholly incorrect.

This story was obviously hopeless, so hopeless indeed that his advisers at one time seriously considered putting forward instead a defence of insanity.

The jury convicted after a retirement of only 25 minutes.

It is difficult to see what other verdict was possible, or is possible now, in the light of subsequent events.

Nathaniel Gubbins

SHE was the kind of woman who was always asking questions about the health and fortunes of people you had either forgotten, or wanted to forget, or never knew at all.

She said: "Poor George. I guess George was Gwendoline's husband, so I said: 'Poor George my foot. He's been on the run for six months.'

She said: "George? On the run?"

I said: "Yes. He's wanted for fraud, petty larceny, obtaining money by false pretences, forgery, robbery with violence, and dope peddling. The police think he's also a sex maniac."



She said: "But only last year that dear old Mr. Whatisname, the managing director, made him his chief cashier!"

I said: "That was before he ran off with dear old Mr. Whatisname's daughter, and robbed him of £10,000 by cooking the books."

"They rushed her to hospital, where her neck began to swell. When they got that down, her feet began to swell. She was like a rubber doll—depress one end, and the other end inflates. Then she began to swell in the middle."

She said: "When's the poor darling coming out of hospital?"

I said: "I don't know. But as soon as the poor darling does, she'll go straight into prison."

She said: "Gwendoline? Prison?"

I said: "She's been shoplifting for years. When the police caught up with her, on that they found she was also a gangster's moll. One of the gangster's molls. One of the smash-and-grab boys. A rival gangster gave him the one-on-one, with a bit of lead piping, and the police are waiting by

the door."

She called out: "Gwendoline, Darling."

Gwendoline screeched:

"Darling, You know, George,

—(London Express Service)

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• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

ALL the musicians in one surges to the surface on reading of a girl who can play the harp with her toes.

The scene recedes gracefully on a harpier couch, each outstretched toe whistling in fourths, while he still plays at the civil banquet.

Does she have the power? Or does she hold the power? Is she like a Japanese jester with an inverted tablet? Or does she stand on one leg and move the other to the music?

She even reminds me of the Wensover Wizard, who played the violin under water, using his elbow.

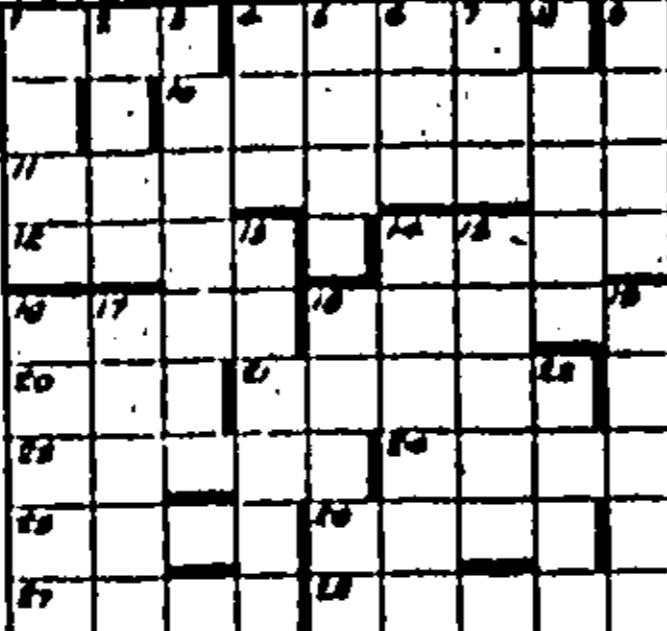
An ill-natured jest

I REMEMBER an occasion when at a concert at Crewe, I heard "Maiden for Pianoforte and Flute" was being played, with Sir Gerald Barry at the flute. The pianoforte's keys and pedals had been unfastened and moved during the first bar, the pianist, Holschorn, stuck fast. The audience saw him writhing with pain, and when he recovered, Sir Gerald came to the rescue with a solo: Pif-paf-pif, the time that is

WHAT'S HER LINE?**MINNIE McHARDE**

Re-arrange the letters to spell her occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

CROSSWORD

Across:
1. The President of the House of Commons. (13)
2. A song often sung in song. Often. (14)
3. Check port tongue. (14)
4. From a diamond ace. (14)
5. It surrounds aint's heads in pictures. (14)
6. Negligence on your wind-surfing. (14)
7. Allowed bid—or most of one. (14)
8. Mar returns in a postscript. (14)
9. This is not an all-wine. (14)
10. Walk (abominably). (14)
11. A ship. (14)
12. This is not an all-wine. (14)
13. It flows in Plymouth. (14)
14. What is not an all-wine. (14)
15. Wordworth. (14)

Down:
1. One is not and the other cold. Usually. (14)
2. Factory girls give one at least. (14)
3. Lee makes up the girl's name. (14)
4. What a gym instructor may do. (14)
5. A fly look. (14)
6. A knavish speech sleeps in a foolish. (14)
7. He seems a different way to begin. (14)
8. The things that eventually come to an end. (14)
9. A tiny bite. (14)
10. Spot the pretty, often. (14)
11. Fireworks direction. (14)
12. Fairly good hide a girl. (14)
13. Rugby team black and gold. (14)
14. Doubtless. (14)
15. This is not an all-wine. (14)
16. Player until the fourmone. (14)

• JACOBY
ON BRIDGEStudy 'Stayman'
It's Worth While

By OSWALD JACOBY

"PLEASE explain what is meant by the Stayman Convention," asks a correspondent. Since many readers have made the same request, I will do so to oblige with an illustrative hand.

After South's opening bid of one no-trump, North had bid two clubs.

He intervened in a game at tables if South has a four-card fit for that suit; otherwise North is interested in getting at diamonds. Interested in a game at diamonds, although actually a game at no-trump would be safer than at no-trump as the cards were.

North bids two clubs (the Stayman Convention), and his partner bids a biddable major suit if he has one. North does not show a real club suit by this bid.

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THE WORLD OF THE TURF WOULD PROFIT BY A ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

Says RICHARD BAERLEIN

London. A big need in racing is a round table conference, in which all interested in the sport could participate.

Recently the Jockey Club of America sent to their members and others interested in racing a copy of the first round table discussion on racing held at the club's New York offices.

Representatives of the club, racing officials, clerks of courses, racecourse management, breeders, owners, trainers, jockeys, and newspapermen attended the meeting.

The Jockey Club's chairman, Mr. George D. Widener, said: "The purpose of this conference is to get every element of racing together to exchange viewpoints. There is absolutely nothing official about it."

Nothing but good could come from such a meeting, which is to be repeated at regular intervals.

In this country no such meeting has so far been contemplated. Two years ago I advocated a racing board to run racing, and which was to receive, through representatives, advice and suggestions from all sections of the racing world. The Jockey Club were still to act as stewards and be in control.

If, however, the Jockey Club followed the American example and called a round table conference, even once a quarter, there would probably be no need for the racing board.

CRITICISM

But, at present in this country, it is hard for anyone to suggest an improvement without some racecourse official taking offence and regarding it as a criticism.

We get our improvements by very slow degrees and generally ten years after they have first been mooted.

An occasional conference would help to speed any suggested improvements and at the same time we could be told who and what the opposition to them was. Then we could explain it

IS ENOUGH MONEY SPENT ON TENNIS GIRLS?

London. Emerging from the junior stage in lawn tennis are a bunch of youngsters, who in two or three years' time may well be winning the Davis Cup for us.

Two of them, Billy Knight, 17 who has just renewed his boys' championship, and Tony Pickard, just too old to compete at junior Wimbledon, sail for Australia this week for a southern summer of competitive play.

These two, and two other boys, Michael Davies from Swansea, nearly 18, and Reg Bennett, of Bexhill, nearly two years younger, are full of promise.

So is the rather older London lad, Roger Becker, 19.

ADVICE

My advice to Davies is this. Do not allow the routine

BOTTLE THUGS COME BACK TO SCOTTISH SOCCER

The banner-waving bottle-thugs came back to Scottish Soccer and 1,000 spectators fled from them in terror on to the pitch at Ibrox Park, Glasgow on Saturday, September 19.

The Rangers-Celtic Scottish League game — there have been few incidents at their recent matches — was held up while mounted police cleared the field. Nine men were arrested.

When women and girls were hurt by flying glass or as they tripped and fell in the rush away from the trouble-makers.

Early in the afternoon police clattered into the terracing to chase number of men waving banners.

Then, near half-time, the bottles flew. And as the two teams were making for their dressing-rooms people spilled over the terracing wall and raced across the track to the field.

SWAYED AFTER

Frightened young boys started it—and those behind swayed after them.

Police patrolling the track tried to force them back. But they were submerged in the crowd as the cry grew: "Bottles!"

Mounted Inspector John Brock galloped across from the main

(London Express Service)

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KCC TENNIS FIXTURES

The KCC have announced that tennis fixtures for the period Thursday, Oct. 1 to Tuesday, Oct. 6 are:

Thursday, Oct. 1.—Men's Singles: P. Hall v C. Chung; Ladies' Singles: Miss F. Eyles v Mrs O. Dow.

Friday, Oct. 2.—Ladies' Singles: Miss J. Stokes v Mrs M. Ramchand; Men's Doubles: K. Lo and T. Lo v F. A. Fisher and E. T. Nash.

Monday, Oct. 5.—Mixed Doubles: Mrs. M. Williams and C. Chung v Miss F. Eyles and A. V. White; Men's Singles: A. Augustad v Winner: G. Eglington/F. Loone.

Tuesday, Oct. 6.—Mixed Doubles: Mr. and Mrs. A. Augustad v Mrs. O. Dow and F. Loone; Men's Singles: K. Lo v Winner: G. Chung/P. Hall.

A meeting of the tennis section to elect officers for the 1953/54 season will be held at the KCC on Thursday October 8, commencing 6.15 p.m. sharp. All members of the club who are interested in tennis are requested to attend.

Mottram and Paish cannot win the Cup. Neither can our "colt" players yet. Better surely for the youngsters to win a round or two and then be beaten, than for Mottram and Paish to repeat the performance in this business of the Davis Cup, we have to think for ahead.

What of winning the Wightman Cup from the American girls? In this, we have apparently to think a century ahead.

Dan Maskell, Wimbledon professional, agreed with me that the girls at the Junior Championships were not nearly as promising as the boys—which is strange, seeing that at girls' schools tennis is the No. 1 summer game, while the boys place cricket first.

Maskell thought that the poor standard of some of the girls was symptomatic of women's lawn tennis throughout the world. Apart from in the USA, it is in a poor way. Why?

Here big questions arise concerning women's rights—in lawn tennis as in everything else. The money is not spent on them that is lavished on the much-travelled young man. A subject which, for the moment, I will shirk.

(London Express Service)

SOCCER SPIDS CHASE SOUTH AFRICANS

By BOB PENNINGTON

The South African footballers now on tour in England complain that they are being pestered to break their contracts and join Football League clubs.

Les Salton, 20-year-old Durban electrician, said: "Since arriving in England we've had under-the-counter gentlemen claiming to represent

"They want us to break our agreements with the South African Football Association, under which we cannot sign as professionals for any club for at least two years.

"I have had four approaches made to me by these spids. The rest of the lads have had similar experiences and we are fed up.

"They contact us in our hotel, while we are training at the Hendon ground, or as we leave after matches.

"ALL RATHER FURTIVE"

"It's all rather furtive... rather like the black market boys who sold petrol in South Africa when it was rationed.

"They never say which clubs they represent, and when they

and the prices."

(London Express Service)

News Item: Southend Utd. Supporters Club have asked the management to sign on handsome players to attract ladies to the matches.



Joe Lucy Outpoints McGovern

London, Sept. 29. Joe Lucy, of Mile End, London, won the vacant British lightweight boxing title here tonight when he outpointed Tommy McGovern, of Bermondsey, London; a former champion, over 15 rounds at the Empress Hall.

Frank Johnson, of Manchester, forfeited the title when he was overweight for his fight with Lucy last June.

A large section of the crowd booed the decision, but there could be no doubt that Lucy deserved his victory.

MASK OF BLOOD

At the end of the fight, McGovern, his face a red mask of blood, had both eyes almost closed from the pummelling his face had received from Lucy's right jab.

McGovern, at 29 is six years older than his smugly opponent and this began to tell as the contest progressed.

In addition, McGovern must have felt the effects of his 40 minutes' "workout" in order to make the nine stone nine pounds. Hard at the weight-in during the afternoon.

Then, he had his finger nails and toe nails out, did a long spell of skipping and spent some time being massaged under the rays of a heat lamp to get off a mere two ounces.

Lucy took the weight at nine stone nine pounds exactly.

Reuter.

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Drobny To Play For British Team Against France

London, Sept. 29. Jaroslav Drobny, this year's Wimbledon runner-up and former Davis Cup player, will play for the British side in a lawn tennis match between the International Clubs of Britain and France starting at the Queen's Club in London on Friday.

The British team will compose of Tony Mottram, Geoffrey Paish, Jaroslav Drobny, Gerald Oakley, Tony Starke, Eric Filby and C. F. Lister.

This will be the 36th match between the two clubs. Of the matches played France has won 20 and Britain 9, the others having drawn. —France-Press.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

FIRST RACE MEETING
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

Saturday, 10th October and Monday, 12th October, 1953.

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 22 RACES

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on the 1st Day and the 2nd Day the First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Bell run at 12.00 noon. The 10th Interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.).

The Secretary's office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on the 1st day and at 10.00 a.m. on the 2nd day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS & REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

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Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall.

CASH SWEEPS

The cost of a Through Ticket is \$44.00. Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 9th October, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

There will be a Special Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap to be run on the 1st Day. The cost of each ticket is \$2.00.

Cash Sweep Tickets may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, Chater Road, 5 D'Aguilar Street and 382 Nathan Road, until 10.00 a.m. on both days.

TOTALISATOR

Bookers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDING MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER. NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, the tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
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Bulgarian Regime Makes Concessions To Agriculture

Vienna, Sept. 29. Evidence reached Vienna today that Bulgaria has joined the other Soviet bloc countries in granting substantial concessions to collective farms and some to private farms.

The Bulgarian Premier, Vulko Chervenkov, in a speech on the ninth anniversary of Bulgaria's armed uprising, on Sept. 8 in Sofia, announced big reductions of delivery quotas, tax cuts and more credits for collective farms.

According to a summary of Chervenkov's speech, published in the *Rabotnicheskata Delo* and just received here, the Government has decided to grant reductions of delivery quotas also for land cultivated privately or of milk, fruit, vegetables and grapes.

The frontier population is given important assistance in the general reduction of State tax on co-operative farms and their members had been remitted for the period to the end of last year.

To encourage the wider use of irrigation a 40 per cent decrease in the tax for the first two years after the commencement of an irrigation system of a co-operative farm had been announced.

Chervenkov also said that the Government decided that the

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The Rubber Markets

Singapore, Sept. 29. The market eased in the morning and turned slightly better in the afternoon with some trade support.

Closing prices were as follows:

No. 1 rubber per lb.	Oct. 6/31	63/64
Nov. 1	63/64	63/64
Dec. 1	61/64	61/64
No. 3 rubber per lb.	Oct. 6/31	59/64
No. 3 rubber per lb.	Oct. 6/31	59/64
Spot rubber unblended	61/64	61/64
Banded crepe	60/61	60/61
No. 1 crepe	60/61	60/61

LONDON MARKET

London, Sept. 29. The rubber market was easier at No. 1 RSS spot quoted at 18%, a new low for the year. Closing prices were as follows:

Settlement House Terms:

Nov. 18/19

Dec. 18/19

Jan./March 18/19

April/June 18/19

July/Sept. 18/19

United Press.

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NEW YORK MARKET

New York, Sept. 29.

Rubber futures closed one point higher to 10 points lower with sales of 50 contracts.

Half the business was re-

presented in exchanges of December contracts for other positions.

In the spot market, donars quoted spot No. 1 RSS at 22% cents per pound. A fair factory business was reported done in the No. 3 and No. 4 sheets.

March 1954 22.65 bld

May 22.55 bld

July 22.55 bld

Sept. 22.55 bld

Dec. United Press.

AMSTERDAM MARKET

Amsterdam, Sept. 29.

The rubber market was quiet. Closing prices:

No. 1 rubber per lb. 125 nom.

No. 3 rubber per lb. 127 nom.

No. 1 crepe rubber per lb. 126 nom.

—United Press.

Seasonal Demand For Dollars Main Cause Of The Sterling Rate's Trend

Disposal of Farm Surplus Discussed

Washington, Sept. 29. The Agricultural Secretary, Mr Ezra T. Benson, and President Eisenhower today discussed ways of getting started as soon as possible on a multi-million dollar programme for selling surplus farm goods overseas.

The Secretary of Treasury, Mr George Humphrey, and the Foreign Operations Administrator, Mr Harold E. Stassen, also attended the White House conference.

The meeting followed complaints by an American Farm Bureau Federation spokesman that the Administration "is dragging its feet" on the programme which Congress authorised last July.

The Law authorised the Administration to sell up to \$250,000,000 worth of surplus farm crops to foreign countries.—Reuter.

London, Sept. 17. The cause of the weakness of sterling in the last three weeks cannot be exactly pinned down, says the Financial Times. But several of the influences which have been at work are plain.

Meeting Of Red Trade Unions

Vienna, Sept. 29. Headquarters of the Communist-dominated World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) announced today that the workers of Japan and India would be represented by several delegates at the WFTU Congress here next month.

The Japanese delegation would probably be 12 strong, some of them members of the Sohyo Trade Union Federation. Preparatory committees for the Congress had been set up in several parts of the country which collected funds to finance the delegates' journey to Vienna.

Secondly, the support which has been given to sterling recently by Japanese purchases has been very little effect on the London gilt-edged market.

Thirdly, the market is now feeling the backlash of the strength of forward sterling which, since the idea of convertibility came very much in the air, many people thought sterling would appreciate when bought forward.

Finally, the recent extension of the time limits for short-term finance has naturally weakened the demand for sterling.

The market has experienced exactly the opposite effect to that produced after Mr Butler's first Budget, when these time limits were reduced.

All the causes of the recent weakness of sterling have, in fact, one thing in common. They are not likely to operate over any great length of time. Already there are signs that

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$840,313. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS	HK Bank ...	20 or 120	5 or 120
	41 or 120		
	5 or 120		

East Asia ... 150

Insurance ... 320 630

Underwriters ... 314

HK Fire ... 160

Docks, Etc. ... 0715

K. Wharf Dock ... 22 100 or 9715

Provident ... 12 120 600 or 12100

Shai Dock ... 215

Wheelock ... 603 603 1200 or 8,000

LAND, ETC. ... 500 or 12,700

HK Hotel ... 8 0.15 500 or 8,10

HK Land XD ... 6314 64 700 or 120

Shai Hotel ... 1014 10,800

Humphrys ... 250 or 17

Provident ... 12 120 600 or 12,700

Watson ... 24 10 500 or 18,000

Macrae ... 0 0.15 500 or 22,200

Industrials ... 10 10 500 or 22,200

Cement ... 10 10 500 or 22,200

Stores, Etc. ... 2500 or 22,200

Dairy ... 1100 or 22,200

Watson ... 24 10 24,00 3000 or 34,20

L. Crawford ... 32 34

COTTONS ... 240

Tele ... 240

MISCELLANEOUS ... 2000 or 6,000

Venice ... 1000 or 6,000

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NOT A WORRY

In a recession, or perhaps even in no more than a technical Wall Street setback, funding is the one thing that the U.S. Treasury need not worry about.

Admittedly, its efforts to lengthen the U.S. national debt have so far been a joke. On July 1, 1952, maturities of 1935 average—or about their cheapest assets in the world, Sterling's troubles are not that it is dear either in goods or in scrip. They are that the British economy is too rigid; the reserves are too small; and the liabilities too large.

The western storm, if there is to be one, would blow along the line of least resistance to inflation. The IMF seems to think that modern civilisation is constitutionally prone to inflation. "In the modern world," it says, "there are many forces, both economic and social, that seem likely to come to power a climate of opinion in which it will always be easy to generate new inflationary forces." As to policy in the event of a recession, the late Lord Keynes said that the days have gone when any country can afford to put off for at least five years. But any short-term money, by people who want a temporary home for it, can afford to forget about funding.

In practice, in a slump, the U.S. would be forced into more Keynesianism than any other country—regardless of Republican doctrine or of Congress's rather preposterous calling on the public debt. It has been reckoned that a quite moderate recession might throw up a U.S. budget deficit of \$23 billion. That would be more "inflation" than any other country would have, and in the end the dollar might in fact fare worse than any other major currency. The uncertainty is what would happen first, if Britain, for example, were trying to soften the impact of a recession by softening money, while the U.S. was still trying to be tough, even if in retreat. Republican doctrine and the public debt ceiling militate strongly against any early or voluntary U.S. resort to "counter-cyclical" policy (begging the question of whether these recipes for smoothing the trade cycle would in fact work if they were applied only "gradually" and at opportune times). But they are still "emphatically" "sound money" men. Every one of their speeches still dilates on the need for "sound money, honest money, good money"—Reuter.

Chicago, Sept. 29. Prices of grain futures closed today as follows:

Wheat—(No



JOHN CLARKES
CASEBOOK

Michael's Dream

EVER since he could remember, he had wanted to make his mark in the catering business. No very flamboyant mark.

He wanted to manage a snack-bar. That was all. Fourteen, 18, years ago, he used to draw word-pictures for his wife and children, of what his ambition meant to him.

"When we get the snack-bar . . . all his talk began.

"When," said his practical wife, "when, daddy?" asked his children, adding the question-mark in all innocence.

The family lived in Ireland then, and the day seemed a long way off when the father's ambition might be fulfilled.

TO THE WAR

WHEN war broke out, the father took one look at neutrality, decided it was not for him, and came to England to join the Army. He was at Dunkirk, and as he waited for the small boat back, he thought about pleasant things to take his mind off the unpleasant. He thought with single-mindedness about his peace aims which all added up to managing a snack-bar.

As he waited on the beach, the father, whose name was Michael, was caught by a lump of shrapnel, and wounded in the head. He has suffered from headaches ever since, but the thought that was in his head when he was hit has never been altered. He still longs to achieve his ambition.

Other things were altered for him, though, when the war was over. He wanted to settle in England, and shied off every suggestion that he might go back to his wife and family.

STEPS ON THE WAY

HERE, Michael had a succession of jobs in the catering trade.

He sometimes grew depressed, however, at his slow progress toward his goal, and then he would go drinking, and since he received the head wound he could not do that with impunity. He had developed what doctors called "alcoholic intolerance." A pint or two of beer sent him berserk.

The other day Michael felt the desire to drink again. He was working as kitchen-porter in a restaurant, and was off duty. He had used up all his money and went to his employer and asked for £1 on account of his next week's wages.

NO MORE?

HE was given the £1, spent it, and rolled back to ask for more. This time, the restaurant proprietor refused him, for his own good as much as anything.

Michael took a swing with his fist at the manager. The next morning he was charged at Bow Street, with causing grievous bodily harm to the manager, pleaded guilty and was remanded for inquiries to be made.

When next he came back, a fine-looking man, smartly dressed, the probation officer went into the witness-box, and told what he could of Michael's history. To Mr R. H. Blundell, the magistrate, a doctor's report was passed to the bench, which Mr Blundell read, then said: "It seems he might be a suitable case for treatment."

"Yes, sir," said the probation officer.

"I suppose it will be difficult for him to find another job."

STILL ON THE ROAD

AS a matter of fact, sir, he has got another job." "Oh, has he?" said the magistrate. "He asked Michael what he had to say, and when the answer was nothing, put him on probation for two years, recommending he took the medical treatment ordered.

Michael went away looking content. He was still on the road that led towards his ambition. The threads were not lost. And no one had suggested he might take his wife and family along with him. The threads of his marriage did seem to have gone completely astray.

Japanese Statement Surprises

Bombay, Sept. 20. Diplomatic and Government circles are puzzled by the statement made by Yoshiro Kogane, leader of the Japanese Economic Survey Mission, that India and Japan are considering the question of setting up a new half-a-million-ton steel plant in India as an Indo-Japanese joint venture.

At a news conference in Calcutta before his departure for Rangoon Mr Kogane said that a technical co-operation agreement, under which Indian students will go to Japan to learn know-how and Japanese technicians will come to India to teach, was also under consideration.

Officials believed that Mr Kogane and his colleagues have misunderstood the private talks they held in New Delhi with Japanese Embassy officials or with members of the Planning Commission.

They pointed out that members of the Japanese mission were unable to meet either the Minister of Production, K.C. Reddy, or even the Minister of Commerce and Industry, T.T. Krishnamachari. It might be a case of wishful thinking by the leader of the Japanese mission, they said.

It was true India believed it had the need of another steel unit of half a million-ton capacity but it was too early to say when the Government of India would take up this project.—United Press.

Big Carrier Here

The American fleet aircraft carrier Lake Champlain, under the command of Capt. L. B. Southerland, came into port this morning for a week's reception visit. She is moored at Naval Buoy No. 1.

One of the 24 ships of the Essex Class, of which two of the ships, the Boxer and Kearsarge, recently paid a visit to Hongkong, the Lake Champlain was completed in 1944 at a reported cost of US\$8,032,000.

She is of 27,100 tons, has an overall length of 888 feet, a beam of 93 feet and a 29-foot draught maximum. She is capable of carrying 100 aircraft and her normal complement is 2,900 officers and men.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Time Signals and Programme Summary, 6.02 p.m. Recorded by Guy Daines with Duncan Robertson (Actor), (BBCBS), presented by Marguerite (Studio); 7.29 Weather Report, 8. Time Signals, Word News and United Press, 9.20 Scottish Variety Orchestra, 10.20 American Radio; 11.20 Letters from America by Alastair Cooke (Recorded London Radio); 12.30 Orchestra of the Week, 1.20 British Variety, 2.20 Second World War Concert with Mervyn Waller (Concerto) with Mervyn Waller (Concerto); 3.20 Concert by Mary Ramsey (Soprano); 4.20 The Queen's Hall Orchestra, 5.20 Edward Cheeseman in The Queen's Hall, 6.20 Theatrical Review, 7.20 P. H. Priestley, Production by Marjorie C. Webster (BBCBS); 10.30 Weather Report, 11.30 News and Current Affairs, 12.30 Mid-night Music, God Save The Queen; 11.30 Close Down.

Seriously Hurt In Fight

A folk of the Sun Kea Metal Works, Yu Shiu, 21, received serious head injuries this morning at 81, Gough Street, as a result of a fight, and was immediately sent to hospital.

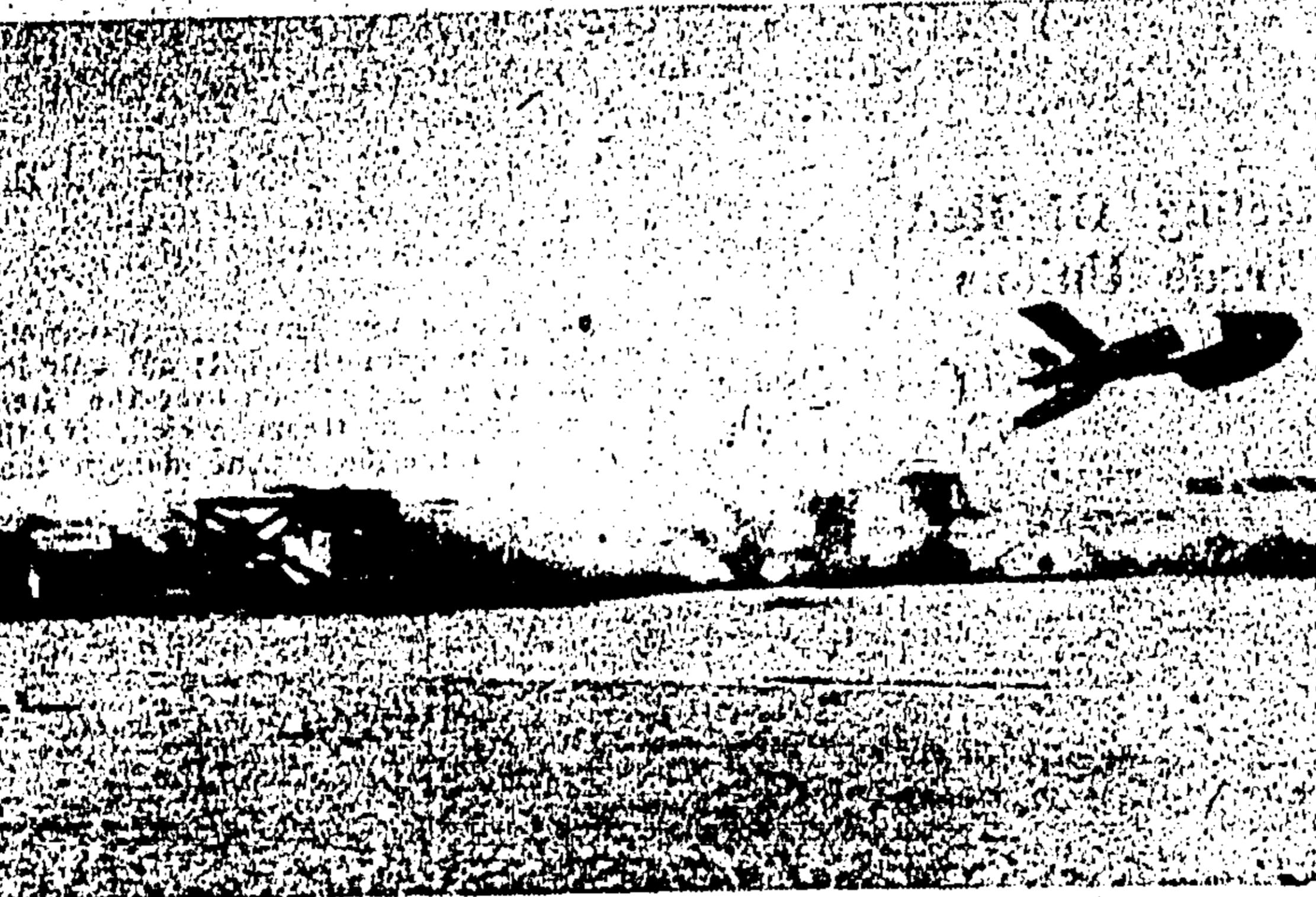
The fight, involving eight persons, was between the occupants of the ground floor and those of the first floor of the building, and began over some kitchen trouble.

Nationalist China Accepted

United Nations, Sept. 29. The General Assembly today approved the report of the Credentials Committee confirming the credentials of the Chinese Nationalist delegation to the General Assembly.

The decision was taken by 48 votes to five (Soviet bloc), with four abstentions (Sweden, India, Indonesia, and Burma). The threads of his marriage did seem to have gone completely astray.

NEW PILOTLESS JET LAUNCHED



The United States' Department of Defence's new pilotless jet aircraft—the Ryan Firebee—is launched from a 60 ft. rail with the aid of a rocket to boost it to flying speed. A second or two after the launching the drone's 1,000 pound thrust Fairchild J-44 jet engine takes over as the sole power source as the rocket bottle is jettisoned. The pilotless target is flown by remote control from a ground station. The Firebee was developed by Ryan Aeronautical Company under joint Army-Navy-Air Forces sponsorship for use as a high speed jet target for all armed services.—London Express.

Launch Shelling: British Protest Rejected

(Continued from Page 1)

Not Guilty Of Murder

Ng Cheuk, 20-year-old boy, was found not guilty of murder by a jury of five men and two women at Supreme Court this morning.

He was accused of murdering a fellow-folk, Mok Ho, by throwing carbolic acid used by him in his work over him on June 18 this year, outside the Sik Yim Lo Ink Shop, 383 Leung Leehing Road, where both of them worked. Mok died in hospital twelve days after the incident.

The prosecution, conducted by Mr D. N. E. Rea, alleged that at that moment, the said questioner, a gunboat, launched a surprise attack upon the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China, firing more than ten shots at it. Accordingly the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China fled back in self-defence. As a result, the intruding gunboat fled southward to the open seas.

"It can now be judged from the abovementioned facts and from the contents of your letter that the said gunboat, which did not display any national flag, which ignored any national flag, which ignored any international signals, which disregarded repeated warnings and which made a surprise attack upon the patrol vessel of the People's Republic of China, which was situated within the mouth of the Pearl River, and then intruded above inner Lin Tin Island. In an attempt to seek provocation, it was only after persisting shots fired by air defence units on the island that the two airships then flew away in the direction of Hong Kong."

The facts being as stated above, the Central People's Government is of the opinion that the protest lodged by the British Government is unacceptable. The Central People's Government hereby lodges a strong protest with the British Government regarding the above-mentioned provocations and surprise attacks by the British Navy and two British Mosquito fighter bombers and wishes the British Government immediately to take necessary measures to prevent the recurrence of such incidents.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to express to you, sincerely the assurance of my highest consideration."

Signed: Ching Hui Fu, Vice Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China—Reuter.

What's New? Solution MACHINE NUMBER: London Express Service

Possessed Dog's Carcass

Four Chinese men were convicted by Mr Hin-Sing Lo at Central this morning when they pleaded guilty to the possession of a dog's carcass suspected of having been slaughtered by the defendants.

The first accused, Chan Luk, 39, of 8-1st Chi Street, first floor, who admitted to having eaten the flesh of the animal, but who denied slaughtering it, was fined \$100. The three other defendants, Wong Tak-cheung, 33, Chan Ng, 38 and Suen Yau, 28, were fined \$50 each.

The offence took place on the first floor of 50A Queen's Road East on September 28.

The magistrate ordered the carcass of the dog to be confiscated for destruction.

Transferred To District Court

The case of the two privates of the Welsh Regiment charged with robbery with violence and assault, was transferred this morning from the Kowloon District Court to the Kowloon District Court this morning.

Robert Emilt Wynn, 21, and Arthur John Jenkins, 19, were charged with robbing a Kowloon shop on September 28 at Luon Wo Hui, and assaulting him.

Inspector Wynn was asked for seven-day remand.

UK TROOPSHIP ARRIVES

The troopship HMIS Lancashire arrived this morning from the United Kingdom with replacement troops for Hong Kong. She also brought a number of families of service personnel.

Judge Blair-Kerr held that the Victoria District Court had jurisdiction to try the case and remitted the two men to the Kowloon Magistrate, and also remitted appeal.

Master Of HK Ship Lost Overboard

TRAGEDY OCCURS OFF WENCHOW

Captain W. B. Hosking, 44, master of the ss Admiral Hardy, fell overboard off Wenchow, south of Shanghai, late last night and is presumed to have been drowned. The ship was on her way to Tsingtao when the accident occurred.

A search was carried out for Capt. Hosking by the Admiral Hardy in the vicinity until this morning when the search was called off and the ship continued her northward voyage under the command of Acting Chief Officer Hunter.

"In Name Of Humanity And Justice" Plea By Counsel

"In the name of humanity and of everything which is decent under the sun," Mr Patrick Yu in the Victoria District Court this morning applied for the reduction of the \$25,000 bail offered to a hotel room-boy, one of the seven defendants in the driving tests case in which it is alleged that \$73,800 was handed over to Sub-Inspect. R. G. Ibitson in an endeavour to seek preferential treatment for some candidates in driving tests.

Mr Yu said that the defendant, Lee Lin-bu, 28, could not raise the \$25,000 offered by the Magistrate and while the wife of the accused, who had been estranged, had been driven to the verge of insanity, that left his three young children and aged parents entirely helpless.

Mr Yu mentioned that Mr Justice Reece in Chambers had reduced the \$25,000 bail of two other accused in the case to \$10,000 each after the Magistrate had refused applications by all accused for bail reduction. However, his client, Lee, could afford nothing more than \$1,000 which had to be borrowed from his friends.

Mr Yu said that the defendant, Lee, was accused of robbing a gold bracelet with violence on June 12 last.

The application was granted, and the Court proceeded to deal with the second charge, that of robbing another woman, Ting Yuen-wah, of a gold bracelet with violence on June 11.

Before the case started, Mr J. P. Walsh, Crown Counsel, asked that a new prosecutor be entered in respect of one of the charges, that of robbing Leung Lee-hing of a gold bracelet with violence on June 11.

Mr Walsh informed the Court that first accused had earlier pleaded guilty to the second count, but second accused had pleaded not guilty. He had read the facts concerning the case and on his understanding of the law he did not think the charge of robbery with violence could be sustained, but his Honour might find second accused guilty of simple robbery.

Counsel asked the Court to sentence first accused before hearing the evidence against second accused.

FACTS STATED

Giving the facts of the case, Mr Walsh said that the woman, Ng Yuen-wah, was walking in Wanchai Road about 11.20 a.m. on August 11 and was just outside her home when two men, Ng and Wong, approached her. One seized her right hand while the other man, at the same time, tore off her gold bracelet off her wrist. The men then bolted in opposite directions, but first accused was caught by a passer-by.

Counsel remarked that he did not think on these facts that his Honour could find second accused guilty of robbery with violence which meant actual violence to the person. On the facts it was his submission that it was just a case of simple robbery.

First accused, who admitted a previous conviction for larceny in December, 1946, was sentenced by his Honour to one year's hard Labour and 10 strokes of the cane.

Mr. Walsh remanded for first accused to be called as a witness against second accused.

All are charged with conspiring between June 21 and August 7 to give money to Sub-Inspect. Ibitson of the Traffic Office as a reward for his giving preferential treatment to certain members of the public and passing them in their driving tests.

The first accused faces four other charges of offering Insp. Ibitson rewards and giving him \$1,200 as a reward in June and August.

The second accused faces a further eight charges. These range from June 22 to August 17 and accuse him of offering rewards to Insp. Ibitson, giving him \$1,200 and receiving sums totalling \$3,580 as a reward for giving preferential treatment.

Crown Counsel, addressing the Court, remarked that in the circumstance he had no alternative but to apply for a nolle prosequi in respect of second accused.

The fifth accused is also charged with having received \$900 as rewards, the sixth with receiving \$600 and the seventh with receiving \$500.

Mr. D. A. L. Wright (instructed by Mr. A. S. C. Comber) is representing the first and fifth accused. Mr. Patrick Yu (instructed by Mr. F. X. de Almeida) the second and sixth, Mr. W. S. Walker (instructed by Mr. A. V. Horwitz) the third and fourth, and Mr. Francis H. B. Ward the seventh.

Judge Blair-Kerr held that the Victoria District Court had jurisdiction to try the case and remitted the two men to the Kowloon Magistrate, and also remitted appeal.

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"The wife bought a new hat the other day, and it reminded me I'd better stop off and pick up some grass seeds!"

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By Air

Japan, 6 p.m.

Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, 6 p.m.

Thailand, Korea, India, Pakistan, Middle Africa, South Africa, 6 p.m.